

# Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

## 2007-2009 Accomplishments

Improving access to cost-effective,  
quality health care services for Coloradans



# Department Goals

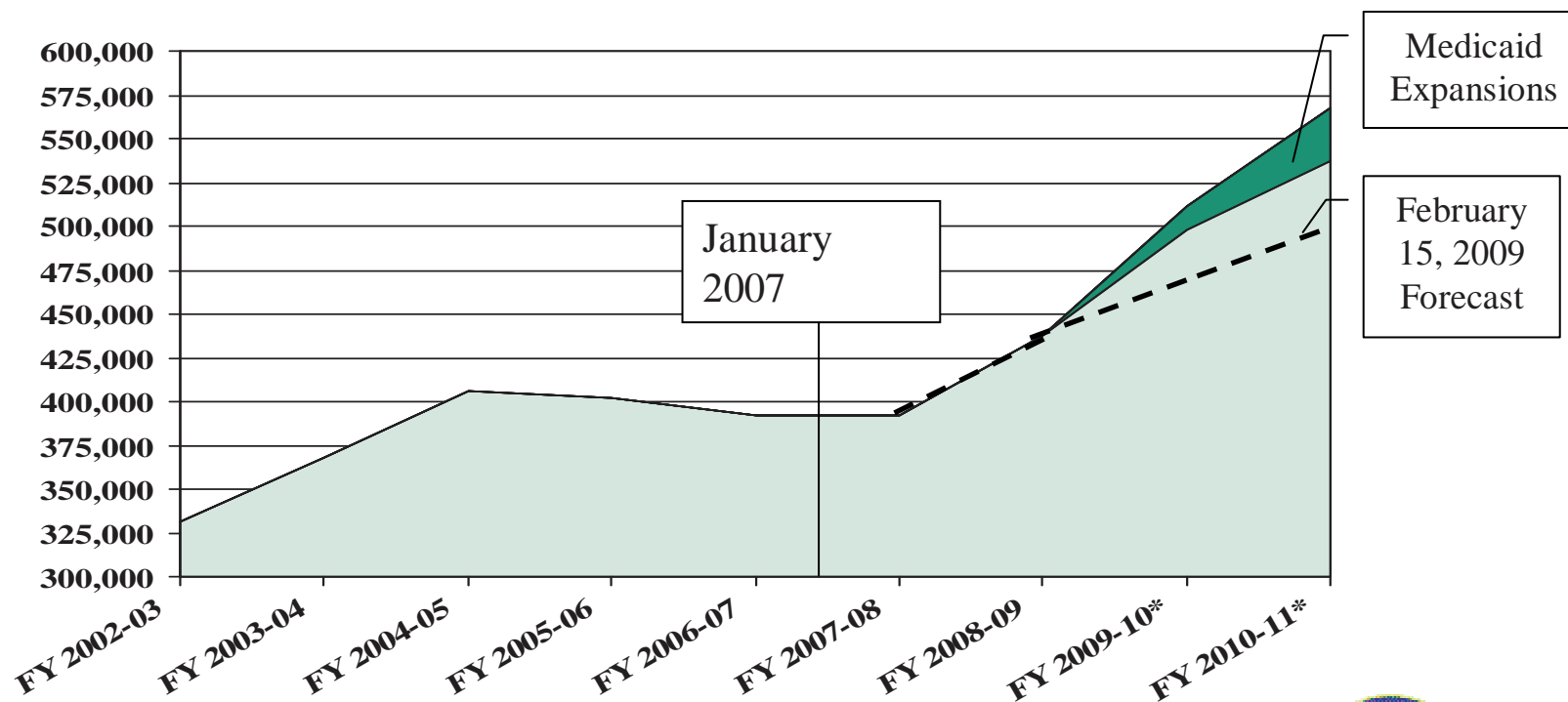
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- Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans
- Improve Health Outcomes
- Increase Access to Health Care
- Contain Health Care Costs



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

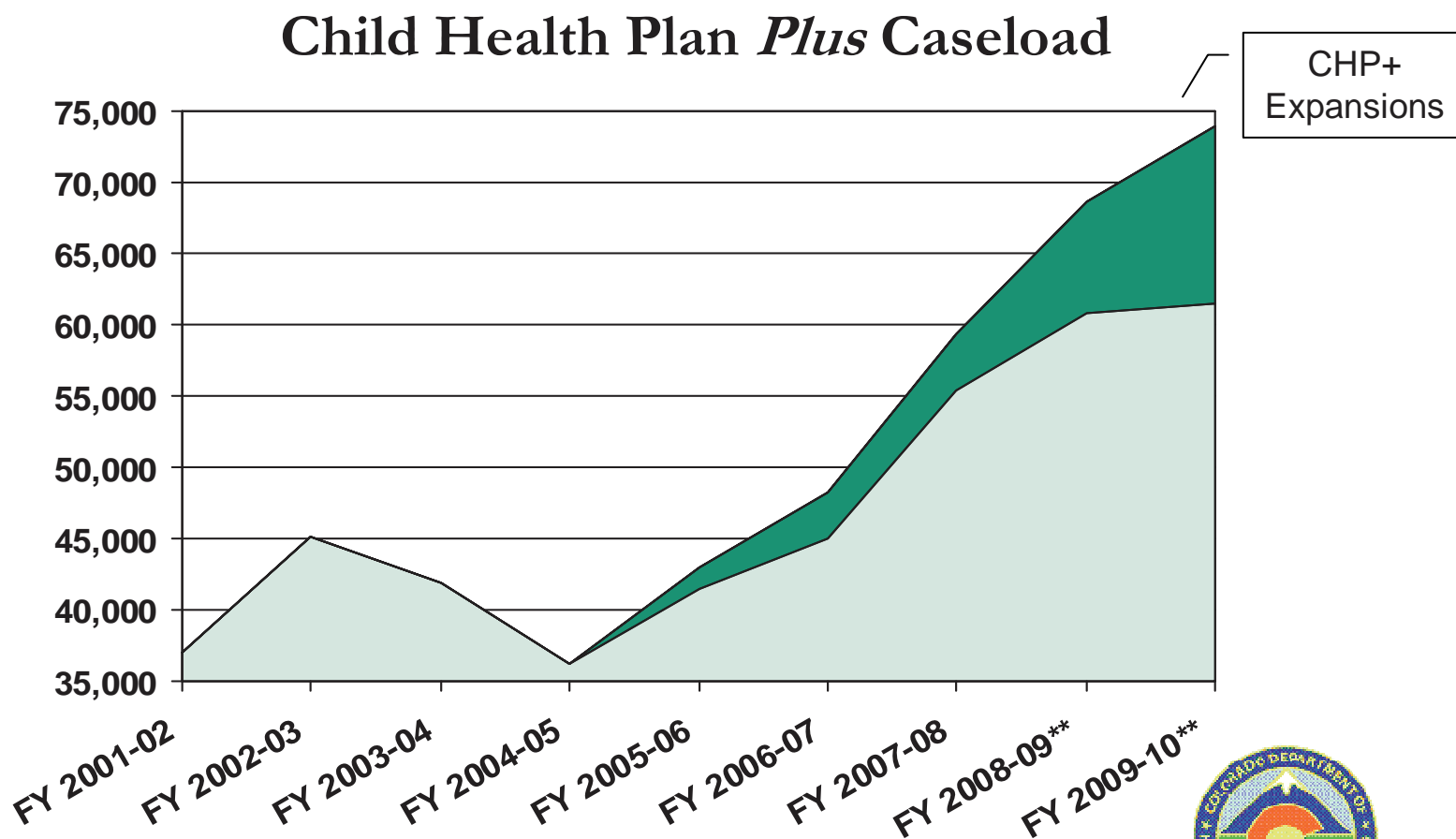
## Medicaid Caseload



\* FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11 projections from the Department's November 6, 2009 Budget Request



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans



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- Highest Medicaid enrollment in history – 530,000 enrolled
  - 25% caseload growth since January 2007
- 70,000 children and women in CHP+
  - 45% caseload growth since January 2007
- 236,000 children in medical homes



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

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Partnered with counties, providers, advocates and private vendors to decrease administrative burdens for families applying for public health insurance

Results:

## Medicaid Enrollment

- January 2007 – 391,051
- January 2008 – 436,349
- January 2009 – 436,349
- December 2009 – 494,699

## CHP+ Enrollment

- January 2007 – 61,393
- January 2008 – 61,393
- January 2009 – 64,604
- December 2009 – 71,168



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

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## Colorado Health Care Affordability Act (2009)

- Historic legislation – largest health coverage expansion in 40 years
  - Financed through hospital provider fee
    - Allows the state to generate an additional \$600 million in federal Medicaid matching funds

## Results:

- Combined \$1.2 billion will:
  - Support Medicaid and CHP+ expansions of more than 100,000 uninsured
  - Improve hospital reimbursement rates for Medicaid and Colorado Indigent Care Program (CICP) services



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

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- Combined \$1.2 billion will:
  - Cover more than 100,000 uninsured through Medicaid and CHP+ expansions:
    - CHP+ to 250% for kids and pregnant women
    - Medicaid to 100% for parents and adults without dependent children
    - Medicaid buy-in for working disabled
  - Reduce uncompensated care and cost-shifting by increasing Medicaid reimbursement to hospitals





# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

## Comprehensive Health Access Modernization Program (CO-CHAMP) Projects

- Federal opportunity to significantly increase health care coverage as part of comprehensive health care reform

### Results:

- Combined \$43 million, five-year grant will support:
  - Maximizing Outreach, Retention and Enrollment (HB 09-1293 expansion populations)
  - Eligibility Modernization (HB 09-1293 expansion populations)
  - Benefit and Program Design (HB 09-1293 adults without dependent children and buy-in for people with disabilities)
  - CHP+ at Work statewide expansion (premium assistance)



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

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## Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) State Health Access Program (SHAP)

- Department awarded \$43 million by the federal government to support health reform efforts
  - One of 13 states who received federal HRSA grant

### Results:

- Three-share community projects bring together employers, workers without coverage, and outside funding to create a coverage plan
  - Health Access Program: Pueblo
  - San Luis Valley Health Access Program
- Evidence-Based Benefit Design Pilot



# Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

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## Program Eligibility and Application Kit (PEAK)

- Web-based portal designed to provide clients and community partners with modern and easily accessible tool to apply for public assistance benefits

## Results:

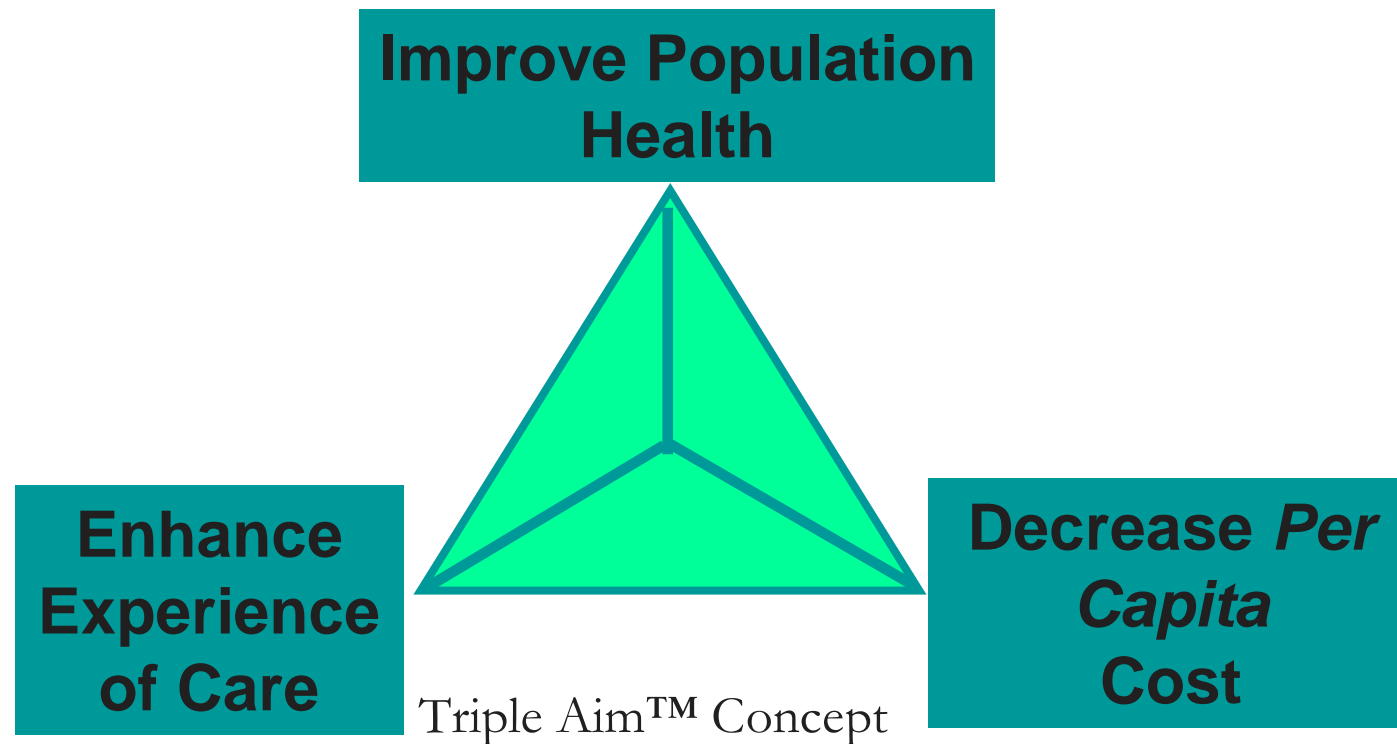
- PEAK Phase 1 implementation allows new public assistance clients to screen themselves for potential program eligibility and allows existing clients to check on their benefits



# Improve Health Outcomes

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The Center for Improving Value in Health Care (CIVHC)



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## CIVHC Interim Strategies:

- Create a statewide All Payer Claims Database
- Develop quality and cost initiatives to transform payment and delivery systems

## Results:

- Improved health of Coloradans while minimizing cost and maximizing quality of health care



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Medical Homes

- Over 500 physicians designated as Medical Homes
- 236,000 children enrolled in Medical Homes

## Results:

- Improves health and reduces need for high-cost emergency room visits or complex care services



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

- An additional PACE program opened in 2009, for a total of three programs and seven sites
  - 2007 – 1,481 clients
  - 2008 – 1,700 clients
  - 2009 – 1,926 clients

### Results:

- Allows frail Coloradans to live in their communities as independently as possible by providing comprehensive services



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Prenatal Care Benefits

- Prior Authorization Request (PAR) no longer required for pregnant woman on Medicaid for prenatal vitamins and folic acid

## Results:

- Increases likelihood of the birth of healthy babies who become healthy adolescents and adults





# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Smoking Cessation Support

- Expanded Medicaid coverage for clients who need multiple attempts to quit smoking

## Results:

- Improves client health and reduces Medicaid costs through decrease in hospitalizations and provider visits



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Nursing Home Pay-for-Performance

- Offers financial incentives to nursing homes that create resident-centered and resident-directed models of care

## Results:

- Ensures quality of care and quality of life for nursing home residents



# Improve Health Outcomes

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## Colorado Regional Integrated Care Collaborative (CRICC) Program

- Sponsored by the Center for Health Care Strategies
- Enrolled more than 2,300 Medicaid clients

### Results:

- Provides intensive care coordination and supplemental benefits for highest-need, highest-cost clients



# Increase Access to Health Care

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## Primary Care Fund

- Awarded approximately \$80 million to expand access and services
  - 2007 - \$31 million to 32 providers
  - 2008 - \$32 million to 29 providers
  - 2009 - \$17 million to 32 providers

## Results:

- Increases access to out-patient health care for the uninsured



# Increase Access to Health Care

## Primary Care Participation in Medicaid

	10/08	03/09	11/09
<b>Family Practice</b>	70%	72%	75%
<b>OB/GYN</b>	80%	81%	84%
<b>Pediatrics</b>	87%	88%	89%
<b>Internal Medicine</b>	76%	78%	79%

Peregrine Management Corporation, 2009

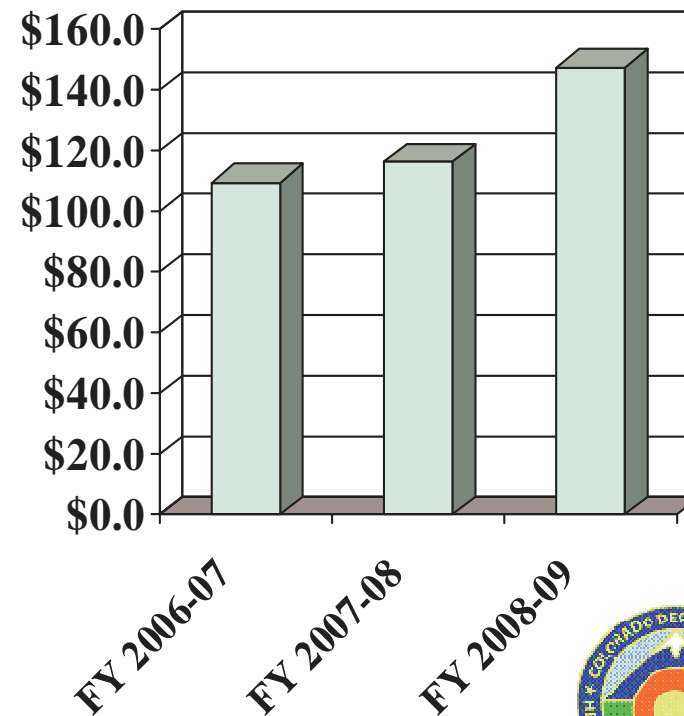


# Contain Health Care Costs

## Department Recoveries:

- Recovered over \$373 million in funds paid for fraud, waste, abuse and drug rebates
  - Governor Ritter's GEMS projects have greatly enhanced ability to identify funds

Total Recoveries  
(in Millions)



# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Fraud, Waste and Abuse Detection

- Assures accuracy of Medicaid payments to providers and assures Medicaid is the payor of last resort when clients have access to third-party funds, private insurance or Medicare

## Results:

- Total Recoveries \$373,535,593
  - FY 2006-07 \$109,584,541
  - FY 2007-08 \$116,472,420
  - FY 2008-09 \$147,478,632



# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Colorado Long-Term Care Partnership

- Colorado residents who purchase Long-Term Care Partnership insurance are able to protect more assets if they later need the state Medicaid program to help pay for long-term care

### Results:

- Coloradans have greater control over how they finance long-term care while saving taxpayers money
- Over 6,000 policies have been sold to Coloradans





# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Never Events

- Colorado Medicaid no longer pays for errors in the provision of health care services that never should have happened

## Results:

- Improves patient safety, decreases Medicaid costs and saves taxpayers money



# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Re-admissions

- Colorado Medicaid has adopted a policy denying payment for hospital readmissions that occur within 24 hours of discharge for a related condition

## Results:

- Encourages patient support during and after a hospital discharge and saves taxpayers money



# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Implementing Prior Authorization Requests

- Colorado Medicaid requires all outpatient clinics to obtain prior authorization for non-emergent CT, non-emergent MRI and all PET scans

## Results:

- Ensures necessity of scans and saves taxpayers money



# Contain Health Care Costs

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## Preferred Drug List (PDL)

- Governor Ritter signed an executive order to implement a PDL for Colorado Medicaid
- Promotes clinically appropriate utilization of pharmaceuticals in a cost-effective manner
- 20 drug classes on PDL

## Results:

- Saved Medicaid over \$4 million in cost-avoidance measures for February – December 2008
  - Approximately 77% of cost-avoidance obtained through supplemental rebate negotiations
- Total FY 2008-09 savings over \$9 million



# Delivering on the Promise

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## Increase the Number of Insured Coloradans

- Colorado Health Care Affordability Act
- CO-CHAMP
- Colorado PEAK
- Community Outreach/Expansion

## Improve Health Outcomes

- CIVHC
- Medical Homes
- PACE
- Health Policy Changes



# Delivering on the Promise

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## Increase Access to Health Care

- Primary Care Funds
- Provider Recruitment and Retention

## Contain Health Care Costs

- Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Detection
- Colorado Long-Term Care Partnership
- Cost-Containment Policy Changes



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